3.	Umiam St.I	2x9+2x9	36
4.	Umiam St.II	2x9	18
5.	Umtru	4x2.8	11.2
6.	Umiam-Umtru St.IV	2x30	60
	Total Meghalaya		185.2
TRIPURA			
7.	Gumti	3x5	15
	Total Tripura		15
ASSAM			
NEEPCO			
8.	Khandong	2x25	50
9.	Kopili	2x50	100
10.	Kopili Extension	2x50	100
	Total NEEPCO		250
MANIPUR			
NHPC			
11.	Loktak	3x35	105
	Total NHPC		105
	Total North Eastern		559.7

Grants-in-Aid to Panchayats in Kerala

443. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether any funds allocated by way of grants-in-aid has been made to any Panchayats in Kerala under clean "Kerala Projects"; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) No grants-in-aid has been released under clean "Kerala Project" to any ofthe Panchayats in Kerala. However, grant-in-aid has been released to the Government of Kerala under the Centrally Sponsored Rural Sanitation Programme for the total sanitation projects, as indicated in the Statement attached.

(b) Does not arise.

Statement

Sl. No.	Project approved	Total Approved Cost	Central Govt. share	Funds Released 95-96	96-97
1.	Nirmal 2000-Kottayam Distt.	87.50	35.00	17.50	–
2.	Tanur Block Malapuram distt.	29.48	11.13	–	5.56
3.	Pallipad Panchayat	–	10.69	–	1.34
4.	Mattatur B.P.	77.50	28.175	–	14.087
5.	Vattavada	40.02	16.38	–	8.19
6.	Vandanmedu Idduki	–	4.19	2.10	–
7.	Vengola	37.725	15.09	–	3.77
8.	Pilikode Kasarayod distt.	48.15	19.325	–	9.66
9.	Sooranadu North	119.794	41.422	2.0965	6.375
10.	West Kallana	82.294	26.337	2.0965	6.375
11.	Thurayur	–	9.56	4.78	–
12.	Thikkodi	–	10.15	5.07	–
13.	Kilikolloor	54.294	20.159	10.079	5.04

Commemorative Postage Stamps

444. SHRI RAM NAIK : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a demand from various organisations including M.Ps to issue commemorative postage stamps on the occasion of birth centenary of late Finance Minister Shri C.D. Deshmukh and first Marathi Duyanapith Award winner late Shri V.S. Khandekar;

(b) if so, when was the first demand made in each case;

(c) the reasons for the non-issue of the stamps so far in each case; and

(d) the action taken by the Government to meet the demand in each case ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal for issue of commemorative stamp was received in respect of Shri C.D. Deshmukh on 29.08.95 and Shri V.S. Khandekar on 06.11.96.

(c) and (d) Proposals for special commemorative stamps are examined on the basis of existing guidelines and there is a Philatelic Advisory Committee (PAC) which advises the Government in such matters. The stipulations in the guidelines and the view of the PAC are carefully considered in deciding about issue of any stamp so as to ensure adequate value of such stamps, when issued.

The proposal for issuing a postage stamp on late Shri C.D. Deshmukh was considered by the P.A.C. in its meeting held on 15.2.96. But this proposal was not among those recommended by the P.A.C.

A commemorative postage stamp to mark the birth centenary of Shri V.S. Khandekar has been approved and will be issued on 19 January 1998.

12.01 hrs.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Serious Situation arising out of recent developments in Bihar

[English]

MR. SPEAKER : I have to inform the House that I have received three notices of Adjournment Motion regarding the political and constitutional crisis in Bihar arising from the stand-off between the Governor and the Chief Minister of the State; the total incapacity of the Central Government to address itself to this burning issue which has serious implications from the following Members :-

1. *Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee*
2. *Shri Pramod Mahajan*
3. *Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy*

I give my consent to Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee to move the Motion in the following modified form :-

"Serious situation arising out of passive attitude of the Central Government over recent developments in Bihar."

Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee may ask of leave of the House.

SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV (Patna) : Sir, I am on a point of order.

SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE (Bolpur) : Sir, I want to say something.

MR. SPEAKER : You can speak.

SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE : I am not objecting *(Interruptions)*

[Translation]

SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV : Mr. Speaker, I am on a point of order. Sir, please listen to me. After that I will abide by your decision. *(Interruptions)*

PROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA (Samastipur) : Mr. Speaker, I am on a point of order.

[English]

MR. SPEAKER : Prof. Ajit Kumar Mehta, now tell me what the rule is

PROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA : I want to quote from the Rules of Procedures and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, Rule 56 says :-

"Subject to the provisions of these rules, a Motion for an adjournment of the business of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance may be made with the consent of the Speaker".

[Translation]

I would like to ask as to what urgent public importance it has got . *(Interruptions)*

This is being said about Bihar for one and a half year. Many times discussions has been held on the various issues related to Bihar. Thereafter, what is there of urgent public importance in it.

The other thing which I want to say is that there are many matters which are sub-judice and it has been clearly mentioned in "Kaul and Shakdher" that if any matter is in Court in any part of India, then it would be considered as subjudice and it would not be discussed in the House. Thirdly, I want to say that, it has been clearly mentioned in "Kaul and Shakdher" that if any Chief Minister or